This brochure contains important information concerning the burial policy but does not represent an exhaustive list of all the policy's terms and conditions. If you have any questions regarding these services, or you would like to apply, please contact the General Assistance office to speak with a General Assistance Assistant. The burial policy in its entirety is available upon request.

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Eligibility Guidelines and the Regulation of Benefits

Johnson County General Assistance (GA) provides monetary assistance for the burial or cremation of county residents for whom there are little or no resources available for the provision of these services.

To Apply:

Please contact the GA office to discuss the situation and schedule an appointment.

Application must be submitted by the next of kin or an officially designated representative.

Applications for assistance should be made <u>prior</u> to formalizing any arrangements with the funeral home. If an arrangement with the funeral home is reached and signed on before GA benefits are secured, the application for benefits may be denied.

Eligibility:

Eligibility for this assistance is determined by the General Assistance office in accordance with the GA guidelines unless otherwise noted.

Assistance may be available for any Johnson County resident whose monthly household income is at or below 100% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines.

Payment for out-of-state funerals <u>will not</u> be provided.

Benefits:

this requirement.

Assistance with burial and cremation costs is limited. General Assistance provides up to \$3,000.00 for payment for such services, with up to \$2,100.00 available for services provided by the funeral home and \$900.00 for those provided by the cemetery.

The assistance available through the General Assistance Program is intended to cover the full cost of funeral home services associated with burial or cremation, as well as expenses related to the internment of remains (i.e. cemetery fees). The funeral home will work with the next of kin or officially designated representative to limit the services to meet

Conditions:

The funeral home must furnish complete and accurate invoices to General Assistance as well as the next of kin or officially designated representative.

GA funds are intended to provide for comprehensive service. Any cost exceeding \$3,000.00 is to be born by the funeral home.

Both the funeral home and the customer must sign a county contract confirming that they understand and agree to the terms and conditions of the GA Burial Policy.

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